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place his party associates in a false position, and to put upon them the necessity of saying about him and his vote that which they would have been glad to leave unaided if the unpleasant duty had been spared them. So serious has this matter become and so general is the sentiment of condemnation among the people that his own defeat is not only probable but his remaining upon the ticket will have a tendency to jeopardize other candidates, and if he does not voluntarily withdraw there will certainly be an effort made to induce the district committee to take action in the premises. There is no mistaking the feeling of a large section of the Republican party in Decatur and Macon county upon this matter, and the excitement is by no means confined to those upon the anti-licensing side of the question. The situation is certainly an unpleasant one, but its gravity compels people to speak out notwithstanding.

Minic.

John Minic, of Marietta, was in our city Monday.

J. C. Kiser is still improving, as reported by his physician.

Dr. J. C. Kiser went to Decatur Saturday evening.

The ladies of the Christian church will give an ice cream festival at the town hall on the evening of July 10. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. J. E. Whitlock and daughter Bessie have returned from a pleasant visit among friends in Decatur.

The Republicans in the vicinity feel jubilant over the result at the Chicago convention.

The ignorance people here feel indignant over J. C. Laker's movements in your city.

Ed McCon, late of Lincoln, was elected clerk of the court at the annual election in this city. He succeeds Mr. Gilbert, who was given the contract to sink the new bridge. He is a native son and a fine young man, and we think the voters acted wisely in choosing him.

Clay Laker took a little trip to your city last week to see his girl, so the boys say.

NIANTIC, June 9.

Thanks.

Kindly permit me to acknowledge through your column my obligations to the Hon. W. F. Fife of Bloomington, one of our district delegates, for his kindness in furnishing me a ticket of admission to the late Republican National Convention.

JOHN A. BARNES.

BAIRN BAIL DIVERSITIES.

Score of Games Played on Saturday, June 7.

St. Louis, Mo.—St. Louis, 5; Chicago, 10.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—St. Louis, 13; Allegheny, 6.

Washington, D. C.—Totodis, 13; Washington, 10.

New York, Brooklyn, 6; Cincinnati, 9.

Metropolitan, 6; Louisville, 1.

Baltimore, Md.—Baltimore, 6; Indianapolis, 0.

Detroit, Mich.—Buffalo, 0; Detroit, 6.

Boston, Mass.—Providence, 2; Boston, 1.

Chicago, Ill.—Chicago, 13; Cleveland, 4.

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BY TELEGRAPH

A PLUCKY MARSHAL.

He Undertakes the Arrest of a Notorious Negro Law-breaker.

And is Confronted With Club and Brickbat and Refused Assistance by the People.

He Falls Severely Wounded, But Brings His Man Down by a Well Aimed Shot.

GALLATOPOLIS, O., June 9.—Saturday night a colored man named Tut Cooper, being drunk and disorderly, Marshal J. W. Schenck ordered his arrest. Two policemen seized Cooper, when he called for help, and William Courtney, another colored man, bearing the reputation of being a dangerous man when drinking, came to Cooper's rescue and interfered with the officers. When the Marshal undertook to arrest him Courtney, with a club and brickbats, defied the officers, and bystanders would not assist them. The Marshal went and got out a warrant, and with the police went up near Mrs. Brooks' saloon, where he met Courtney and told him he had a warrant for him. Courtney answered, "Let's see it," and the Marshal, going to the saloon and leaving the police outside, began reading it to him, and when nearly through, without any provocation, Courtney struck him a terrific blow under the eye, knocking him down and bursting open his cheek bone. The Marshal immediately drew his revolver and shot Courtney, who fell, it is supposed, fatally wounded, the ball passing in at the right breast and being cut out of his back.

IMMUNITY OF THE JACK-POT.

The Constitutionality of the Tennessee Anti-Gaming Law Affirmed.

MEMPHIS, TENN., June 9.—The Supreme Court of the State, at Jackson, Tenn., on Saturday forenoon rendered a decision in the case sent up from this county which tested the constitutionality of the act passed by the late Legislature making the keeping of a gambling-house a felony. The Court affirmed the verdict of the lower court, thus sustaining the constitutionality of the act. This decision settles the business in Tennessee for the fraternity. The case was originally contested, and was argued twice before the high tribunal. The judges at the first hearing of the case were unable to agree. The news of the decision created some little consternation among the "boys," who were hopeful of gaining the case. The saloons of the Legislature failed to embody the restrictive game of draw poker in the bill that was passed, hence the fascinating charm of opening a "jack-pot" is still left to those sportively inclined without the fear of being convicted to leave the State as a common felon if convicted. It is refreshing to know that in Tennessee playing cards is only a misdemeanor, while playing fire is a felony.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Business to be Pushed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9.—It is expected that nearly all of the Republican Congressmen who have been absent at Chicago will return by to-day and that the House will proceed with consideration of the river and harbor bill. The delay in taking up this bill is unfortunate because it will have more or less to do with postponing final adjournment. The Senate Commerce Committee has for several years complained because the House has failed to take the bill of the river and harbor bill to the Senate toward the end of each session, thus compelling the committee to go over the bill again and putting the committee at a disadvantage when called on to defend provisions in the bill on the floor.

It is not improbable that Chairman Morrison will, on Tuesday, report to the House a resolution directing June 23 as the day for final adjournment. It is thought that the effect of this would be to spur both houses to a greater activity, and to put members in a mood for early adjournment.

The advocates of the repeal of the tobacco taxes will seek an opportunity this week to go to the committee of the whole and take up the fruit and brandy bill, and amend it so as to wipe out all tobacco taxes. The movement is beyond doubt quite formidable. The number of advocates of this policy is increasing among the Republicans since the Chicago convention, for the world has already come forth from the Republican leaders that a resolute effort is to be made to carry North Carolina and West Virginia for Illinois, and it is believed by the managers that the party would be strengthened by the support of the tobacco tax and the reduction of the tax on fruit brandy.

Fits John Porter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9.—The conference committee on the Fitz John Porter bill will make a report this week. It will recommend that the House concur in the Senate amendments. The House will then vote on the bill. The President is expected to sign the bill, and it is declared with equal positiveness that the President will veto it.

You Play Suspended.

ALLIANCE, O., June 9.—Two miles north of this place, at daylight yesterday morning, were found the mangled remains of Johnnie Reese strung along the Pittsburgh & Cleveland Railroad track for a distance of several rods. The suspicion was that he had started for his home, intoxicated, and that becoming stupid he sat down and fell asleep on the track. At the inquest, however, the evidence was not satisfactory and aroused a deep suspicion of foul play. Ed Hamlin, who lives with Moll Baker, within a few steps of where the body was found, testified that Reese and a man unknown to him called him

A letter out of kindness, like presenting a bottle of ARZOROBOS to a friend, lifted him out of great agony and restored him to his place in the grand array of bread-winners. In writing for more of the "Great Rheumatic Remedy," Mr. Wm. J. Mosher, 24 Elizabeth St., E., Detroit, Mich., says: "Obtained a bottle of ARZOROBOS through a friend. Tried it for my Rheumatism and received great benefit."

The Exorcism.

Now is just the time to secure tickets for the first of the eighth series of excursions over the Grand Trunk R. R. and the St. Lawrence route to Portland, Me., leaving Detroit, Michigan, on the 26th of this month. Call at the Republican office, 24 Elizabeth St., for a descriptive pamphlet and secure passage at once. Fare from Decatur to Portland, Me., and return, \$36.75, good for 60 days, with stop-over privileges and side-trips at greatly reduced rates.

50 cents will buy a good Jones Pants at B. Strine's.

up about two o'clock yesterday morning and asked for drinks, which were given them. He said they carried a few moments, and while they drank several times from a bottle the strange companion of Reese carried in his pocket. He was positive that Reese was not drunk, which was confirmed by the witnesses who saw him at a late hour. Hamlin further testified that a young negro named Sam Bailey staid all night at his house with the Baker woman, but their whereabouts were unknown yesterday, all efforts to find the having proved without avail. The unknown man who is said to have been with Reese is also a mysterious quantity. All the evidence tended to show that Reese, left town alone, and people generally believe he was alone at the Hamlin ranch. Hamlin was very nervous and restless, and told a very loose story. The negro and the Baker girl will be locked up to-morrow, when it is thought there will be new developments. Reese was a steady-going man, and the police were not to be drunk, and went to sleep on the railroad track, is not believed. He was known to have considerable money with him, which was the only thing which added depth to the mystery. The truth was so frightfully mutilated by the boys that it is impossible to form any idea what caused the death of Reese, and it is not unlikely that he will succeed in unraveling a very nasty story to-morrow.

The Shooting of General Beare.

DENVER, CO., June 9.—General H. B. Beare, an old timer of 1859 and a leading mover in the State Democracy, was shot at Twin Lakes toll-gate, twelve miles from Leadville, by Samuel W. Derry last Friday night. The bullet passed into his abdomen, going between the heart and liver, and inflicting a wound from which he cannot recover. Beare had just gone to the mountains on a hunting trip, which he is largely interested in, and met Derry on the road near the latter's ranch. Derry appeared by the roadside and a contest ensued. Beare was riding in a carriage with a party of friends, saying: "Do you still say I perjured myself?" referring to some former misadventure between them. Beare made some reply, whereupon Derry pulled a revolver and fired. Beare fell from the carriage and the team ran away. He was taken to the toll-house, and a doctor sent to Leadville for surgeons and officers, the latter to arrest Derry. Mrs. Beare left this city Saturday, and is now with her husband.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

AKRON, O., June 9.—A serious accident occurred Saturday afternoon on the Cleveland, Pittsburgh & Toledo Railroad, about ten miles east of here. A gravel train, with boarding-house car attached, was being backed up at the rate of twenty miles an hour, when the boarding car jumped the track, causing a bad wreck by the other cars being piled on top of it. The boarding car was well filled with Italian laborers, seven of whom were terribly crushed and two have since died. The balance are in a critical condition. Quite a number were seriously injured, but their names can not be learned at this writing.

An Operator's Mistake.

BUNKER HILL, ILL., June 9.—C. E. Hunt, local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, made a bad break Friday afternoon. He inadvertently registered a No. 3 extra east-bound stock train as No. 2 extra, and it went out on the time of a west-bound freight train and they headed toward each other between Decatur and Chicago. It was fortunate that it was day and on a track as straight as an arrow, or a serious collision would have been inevitable. The error cost the operator a severe reprimand. Mr. Hunt was an operator with Sherman, in his march to the sea.

A Prochner on the War Path.

DALLAS, TEX., June 9.—At seven o'clock Saturday evening Samuel Armstrong, colored, was shot and killed by Olin Mumford, a colored Baptist preacher. The latter was captured and jailed. Armstrong slept in a store that has twice been reported as a place of refuge for fugitives. Mumford was in the store when Armstrong came in to get a drink of water. Mumford insisted that Armstrong himself was the burglar. Armstrong assaulted Mumford for the insultation, and the wife of the latter handed her a pistol, with which he killed his assailant.

Robbery at Windsor, Ill.

WINDSOR, ILL., June 9.—Our usually quiet little city was thrown into an excitement yesterday by the fact that a robbery had been committed Saturday night. Lemuel Evans sleeps in his store. This morning his front door was found open, and his pants out on the sidewalk from the pocket of which had been taken \$250. The barber-shop adjoining this store was broken into from the rear, but nothing disturbed there. No clue as yet to the robbery.

A Paying Vein of Coal.

CAIRO, ILL., June 9.—Some time ago Thomas E. Day, of Indianapolis, began prospecting for coal on the Garner farm, near Tipton, this county. After boring through a slate thirty feet he struck a vein of coal two feet thick, which promises a rich yield as the investigation proceeds. Much excitement exists in the town, and towns have received a satisfactory boom.

Feared Fever at Mobile.

MOBILE, ALA., June 9.—Texas fever has broken out among Jersey cattle at Blossom farm here, and carried off the fine bull Gildersoy Wednesday, and claimed a recently imported yearling Friday. Two other Jerseys at the same farm are sick. A great deal of money is invested here in this breed, and the owners are much exercised about the outbreak.

Wanted in Missouri.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., June 9.—Word received Saturday from Green Forrest says that Hugh McMahon, who for ten years past has been living near that place, was arrested charged with murdering a man near Bloomfield, Mo., in 1881. McMahon claims to have killed his man in self-defense. He has been taken to the scene of the crime for trial.

Footing With a Pistol.

GLENCOR, KY., June 9.—At three o'clock Saturday afternoon a negro boy was shot by another, accidentally, while fooling with a pistol. Neither is over sixteen years of age. The shot took effect in the forehead and the brain is oozing out. It will probably die.

Music for Temperance Camp-Meetings.

It is the intention of the committee to do everything in their power to have fine music, as well as fine orators, for the camp-meetings. They have instructed Prof. Lutz to select the music suitable for the occasion, that could be found which he has done. The books will be on sale at Lutz & Wine's music store about June 17th. Words and music, 35c per copy, or \$3.50 per dozen. This book will meet a want long felt by temperance workers everywhere. It is not only designed for temperance meetings, but is a desirable work for the home circle. As it is the intention to have one special day for all Sunday schools in Macon and adjoining counties to unite, it will be necessary that each school secure the books as early as possible.

Prof. Lutz will meet choristers and organists every Saturday afternoon from June 17th until the camp-meetings. He will also, at the same place, train a chorus of two thousand children for the occasion.

All for 10c. Choice Seats 10c Extra.

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CAMPAIGN CULLINGS.

The Republican Nominee Beginning to Select His Standard Bearers.

A Solid Tilden and Hendricks Delegation to the Democratic Convention at Chicago.

Blaine Overwhelmed with Congratulatory Messages—Mrs. Garfield's Characteristic Telegram.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9.—A Massachusetts delegate to the Chicago Convention, who reached here yesterday, says that none of the members of his State delegation will refuse to support Blaine. He says that the report circulated in Chicago to the effect that Henry Cabot Lodge would resign the chairmanship of the Republican State Committee is without foundation. Lodge is desirous of running for Congress on the Republican ticket this fall and he will not bid Blaine.

H. J. Ramsdell of this city, an intimate friend of Blaine, will write the campaign life of the latter.

Congressman Woolford, of Kentucky, says that the great majority of the members of the Blaine family and that the general impression that Blaine is a native of Pennsylvania is incorrect. He says Blaine was born in Kentucky two years before his father moved to Pennsylvania.

Congressman Holman was asked yesterday when he believed the Democrats would nominate for President. He replied: "I know Mr. Tilden will accept, and, therefore, he will be nominated."

Stephen B. Elkins, who was Blaine's chief manager during the campaign, will be his headquarters in New York. His headquarters will be in New York. His headquarters will be in New York. His headquarters will be in New York.

Congratulating Blaine.

AGUSTA, ME., June 9.—Congratulatory telegrams continue to reach Blaine. Over a thousand telegrams were received within three hours after the nomination, many from Europe, among the most important being those from Minister Morton in Paris and Colonel John Hay and Lawrence King in London. The following was also received from Cleveland:

Hon. James G. Blaine, Augusta: Our household join in one great thanksgiving. From the quiet of our home we follow you with gladness through the turbulent months to follow and in the day of victory you may be guarded and kept.

[Signed] LUCRETIA B. GARFIELD.

A cordial dispatch was also received from the Garfield boys, students in Williams College. The following dispatches were also received: Ben Harrison sends a dispatch promising the electoral vote of his State. James H. McLaughlin sends congratulations of the Whig Republicans of Georgia.

Texas Politics.

AUSTIN, TEX., June 9.—The Travis County Convention on Saturday elected twenty-one delegates to the State. They are all for Tilden and Hendricks. Eighteen out of twenty-one delegates to the Congressional Convention favor ex-Lieutenant Governor Joseph D. Sayers to fill Judge Hancock's seat in Congress.

Waco formerly saw party of W. H. Jones, and is the only available man Jones would not oppose. It was pretty generally conceded that Jones could beat the other candidates.

Columbus Union, formerly Congressman from the Fifth District, will oppose Sayers for the nomination. It is now thought Jones will again oppose Ireland for Governor.

Montgomery County (Ill.) Primaries.

HILLSBORO, ILL., June 9.—The Democratic primaries of this county were held Saturday. The returns are not in from all the townships yet, but the indications are that John J. McLean, candidate for Circuit Clerk, has secured a small majority of the delegates over his opponent, John Fath. Louis Allen will be the nominee for State's Attorney, and E. Southworth has probably secured the nomination for State Senator. Geo. M. Stevens, of Nokomis, will be the nominee for Representative, having no opponent in the district. The county delegates will be instructed for General J. Phillips for Congress. The County Convention will be held to-day.

A Taylorville (Ill.) Convention.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL., June 9.—Saturday the Democratic primaries instructed enough delegates to nominate John G. Drennan for State Attorney, J. D. Duncan for Circuit Clerk and Robert Gray over the present incumbent, John H. Hicks, for the Legislature. The rights have been very close contesting candidates and enough dirt has been thrown to give a Republican ticket of good men a fighting chance in this unusually strong Democratic County. The Convention will be held to-day, when delegates will be selected for the State Convention.

Winnebago County (Ill.) Democrats.

ROCKFORD, ILL., June 9.—The Democrats of Winnebago County held their County Convention here Saturday. Hon. J. Buttrick was chairman. Delegates were selected to the convention at Peoria, and instructed for Harrison for Governor, McKinley for Attorney-General, and Tilden for President. A set of resolutions were passed denouncing in strong terms the counting out of Tilden.

Montgomery County (Ill.) Primaries.

NOKOMIS, ILL., June 9.—The Democratic primary election was held here Saturday, and the township vote was cast as follows: For Representative Fortich District, George M. Stevens, of Nokomis; Circuit Clerk, J. J. McLean, of Hillsboro; State's Attorney, Lewis Allen, of Hillsboro; County Surveyor, D. M. Star, of Litchfield. Delegates to the County Convention.

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 50 Men's Suits, \$2.00, usual price \$5.00.
 50 Men's Suits, at \$1.75, everybody sells them at \$1.00.
 25 Men's Suits, at \$1.50, worth \$3.00.
 25 Men's Suits, at \$1.00, worth \$10.00.
 25 Men's Suits, at \$1.00, worth \$11.00.
 A large variety of All Wood Suits, all marked to \$0.00; these goods are worth from \$1.00 to \$15.00.
 Men's Black Diamond Waxed Dress Suits at \$10.00, sold usually at \$15.00.
 English Waxed Dress Suits at \$16.00, \$10.00 and \$17.00. Sold everywhere at \$12.00, \$11.00 and \$10.00.
 Men's Brown Duck Overalls at 25c.
 Men's Pants, lined all through, 45c.
 Men's White Shirts, with Linen Bosoms, 16c. Inferred Front, for 45c.
 The best in the city for the money.
 A large line of Boys' Suits at \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00.
 A splendid line of Suits for children at \$1.50 and \$1.00.
 All Suits for children from 7 to 15 years old, from \$1.00 to \$2.75.

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MASTER'S SALE.

State of Illinois, County of Madison,
 In the County Court of Madison County, Illinois.

Walter H. Wood, Plaintiff, vs. James H. Nelson and Belle H. Nelson, Defendants.

For the purpose of selling the real estate of the County of Madison, Illinois, to wit: A certain lot of land, situated in the County of Madison, Illinois, and containing about one and one-half acres of land, more or less, and being more particularly described in the petition filed in this cause.

At the hour of two o'clock, p. m., of said day, shall sell at public auction, at the Court House in the City of Decatur, Illinois, the above described real estate, situated in the County of Madison, Illinois, and containing about one and one-half acres of land, more or less, and being more particularly described in the petition filed in this cause.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 1st day of June, A. D. 1911.

JOHN A. BROWN, Clerk of the County Court.

Attest: J. W. Whittier, Notary Public.

JOHN A. BROWN, Clerk of the County Court.

Attest: J. W. Whittier, Notary Public.

Don't!

Think, just because you have been suffering with Rheumatism or Neuralgia, that you must always continue to suffer.

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The Plague of Rabbits.

When the chapter dealing with the naturalization of the rabbit in Australia takes its place in the future history of the colony, its story will have been fully told and its moral, no doubt, forcibly deduced. At the present stage of its development, however, the issue is a little "open," and, as in the case of so many modern dramatic imbrogllos, the possibilities of the next scene are not to be predicted with too light a heart. It may be well, therefore, to "bark back" for a leading fact. In the official Sydney market rate for January, 1911, the price of rabbits was quoted at from two shillings sixpence to four shillings each, retail. Five or six years later they were looked upon as aggressive and destructive vermin, and had so rapidly overrun large tracts of land as to become quite a "scare" to the squatters. To every phase of the rabbit plague, "rabbit plague" is not only regarded as of vital interest by the colonists themselves, but is a subject of curiosity and discussion throughout the civilized world. That the result which has been achieved in Australia is not, however, the result of the introduction of the active and intelligent colony, or by those on whose behalf he was introduced, is, however, only another instance of the way in which people will sometimes shut their eyes to the irresistible logic of foreordained facts. Of course, seal outposts discretion every day of the year, but that it should distance experience as well is a matter deserving little reflection.

The fertility of the culture family of rodents is so great that without "checks" their progeny would speedily displace man himself from the dominion of the globe. The rabbit is probably the most productive of the whole genus, and it is within bounds to say that a single pair may be answerable for a population of half a million within five years. The rabbit, however, is generally surrounded by enemies. In Australia, these may be said to be headed by the sportsman, but in less populous places the weasel, the wildcat, and the fox are among the rabbit's most deadly foes. Originally natives of Spain, the latter ones multiplied in the country, as well as in some of the islands of the Mediterranean, in such an alarming manner that the people appealed for military aid to assist in their destruction. Even with such assistance, however, the rabbit could not be exterminated, and it was not until numbers of ferrets and weasels were introduced that the rabbit population began to diminish. The quadruped of Australia are chiefly of the "marsupial" order, and from the great Kangaroo down to the wombat and the dingo, all are herbivorous. The dingo, or native dog, is destructive only to sheep while the wildcat, though pretty common in some parts, is not generally present. When the dingo, the rabbit was first landed in Australia, the land was all before him where to choose. The climate and the soil were greatly to his liking; the young realize and wheat-shoots were toothsome and succulent, the native grasses and ferns far from despicable, while here and there carpets of almost English verdure, patterned with clover-heads, held out all the seductive attractions of a banquet. Under these conditions he set to work as a settler. He started, to begin with, in the sheep-tracks, and the vested interests of the great mutton family were not long in showing signs of disturbance. When sheep feed they leave something for those who come after them, but the fate of the rabbit is so close that in Australia he often practically denudes the ground under the next rain. Thus has he become master of the situation. Too evil-footed for the dingo, he evades the wildcat, by seeking the open country. Nonquiescent, ferret or stoat is there to pry into the economy of his burrows, the foxes are chiefly flying ones, being, in fact, nothing but large fruit-eating bats, while the infrequent opossum is scarcely a factor in the consideration.

Since the first note of alarm the evil has been advancing with rapid strides. In the vast inland plains of the island continent the sound of the sportsman's gun is seldom heard, and, indeed, could any kind of shooting sport of systematic volley-firing be of any avail. And yet it is manifest that some regular method of destruction, and of subsequent counter-check, must be resorted to if sheep-farming is to recover its lost ground. It has been proposed to introduce the ferret, but with a long ten years' start it would be twice that length of time before the pest would be exterminated. The rabbit, however, is so close that in Australia he often practically denudes the ground under the next rain. Thus has he become master of the situation. Too evil-footed for the dingo, he evades the wildcat, by seeking the open country. Nonquiescent, ferret or stoat is there to pry into the economy of his burrows, the foxes are chiefly flying ones, being, in fact, nothing but large fruit-eating bats, while the infrequent opossum is scarcely a factor in the consideration.

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